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1. DEPARTMENT AGREES 58 WHO CAME ON SWISS AIR FLIGHT FROM BANGKOK AND 9 ON AIR AMERICA FLIGHT FALL INTO OUR RESPONSIBILITY. WE ARE ASKING ICEM TO ARRANGE ONWARD TRANSPORTATION TO GUAM. GIVEN LOGISTICAL PROBLEMS ON GUAM, WE REQUEST
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HKG ALLOW THESE TWO GROUPS TO REMAIN UNTIL ARRANGEMENTS

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CAN BE MADE.

2. WITH REGARD TO 3,700 WHO ARRIVED S.S. CLARA MAERSK, WE WILL OF COURSE CONSIDER THOSE REFUGEES WHO HAVE SPECIAL TIES TO THE UNITED STATES ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS. SPECIFICALLY, THE THREE CLASSES WHICH WE COULD ACCEPT ARE (A) PERSONS WHO ARE DEPENDENTS OR DIRECT RELATIVES OF US CITIZENS OR PERMANENT ALIEN RESIDENTS; (B) PERSONS WHO WERE EMPLOYEES OF THE USG AT THE TIME OF THE GENERAL EVACUATION; AND (C) INDIVIDUALS IMMEDIATELY RELATED TO REFUGEES WHO HAVE BEEN ADMITTED TO THE US UNDER THE CURRENT PAROLE PROGRAM.

3. WE ANTICIPATE THAT OTHER PROBLEMS WILL ARISE AND WILL HAVE TO BE SORTED OUT AS THE PROCESSING CONTINUES. HOWEVER, WE WISH TO EMPHASIZE THAT WE WANT THE INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES AND OTHER GOVERNMENTS TO TAKE A LEADING ROLE IN THE RESETTLEMENT OF PERSONS IN THIS GROUP.

4. FOR GENEVA AND HONG KONG: PLEASE MAKE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS WITH ICEM TO HANDLE 67 PERSONS IN PARAGRAPH 1. KISSINGER

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